

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. First Prayer	David Williams
A.M. Closing Prayer	Justin Preaus
P.M. Prayer	Ben Walker
P.M. Closing Prayer	Charlie Reeves
Lord's Table	* B. Braxton, Dan Preaus J.E. Albritton, R. Hudoba
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	David & Debbie Williams
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Sharon Anderson Casey Fletcher
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Ron Hudoba (6-9-21)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Joe Preaus
A.M. Closing Prayer	David Duty
P.M. Prayer	Kent Everett
P.M. Closing Prayer	Mike Kerrigan
Lord's Table	* Joe Preaus, M. Kerrigan D. Dvorshock, Dan Preaus
Song Leader	Tracey Brantley
Greeters	Eddie & Pat Albritton
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Paula Strickland
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Jim Rhodes (6-16-21)

Schedule of Events	
June 6th thru June 12th	
June 6th 9:45 A.M.	Bible Class
10:45 A.M.	Worship
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
June 9th 12:30 P.M.	Men's Prayer Group
7:00 P.M.	Bible Classes
Benevolence:	Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106
VBS	– Third week in June every year

The Record Speaks	
Date	May 30, 2021
Bible Class	52
A.M. Worship	97
P.M. Worship	40
Contribution	--
Date	June 2, 2021
Wed. Attendance	47

Farmerville Church of Christ
306 East Franklin Street
Farmerville, Louisiana 71241

Farmerville Messenger

*News and Information
For the Family of God
in Farmerville, Louisiana*

Volume 24, Issue 23

June 6, 2021

Farmerville Church Of Christ

306 East Franklin
 Farmerville, LA. 71241
 318-368-8666
 farmervillechurchofchrist.org

Elders

Eddie Albritton-680-8585
 Ron Hudoba-614-0950
 David Williams-517-7053

Deacons

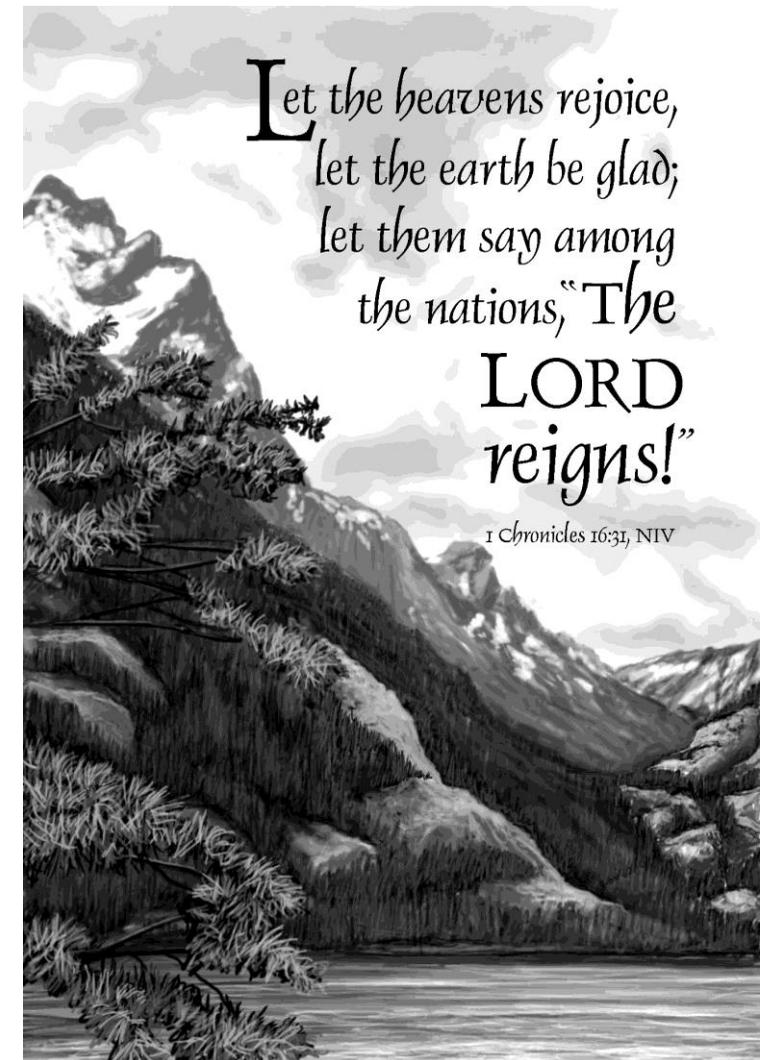
Brian Braxton
 Joe Preaus
 Chris Strickland

Minister

Ben Walker
 318-738-1098
 bayougospel@gmail.com
 Office hours:
 Monday thru Thursday
 9 a.m. til 2 p.m.

Spanish Missions

Larry White
 keruxljw@bellsouth.net
 318-680-7240



If I Knew Then...

On the way to work, I listened to the song “Dear Younger Me,” which beautifully asks: If you could go back, knowing what you know now, what would you tell your younger self? As I listened, I thought about the bits of wisdom and warning I might give my younger, less-wise self. At some point in our lives, most of us have thought about how we might do things differently—if only we could do it all over again.

But the song illustrates that even though our past may fill us with regrets, all our experiences have shaped who we are. We can’t go back or change the consequences of our choices or our sin. But praise God we don’t have to carry the heavy burden and mistakes of the past around with us. Because of what Jesus has done! “In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!”

If we turn to Him in faith and sorrow for our sins, He will forgive us. On that day we’re made brand new and begin the process of being spiritually transformed. It doesn’t matter what we’ve done (or haven’t done), we are forgiven because of what *He’s* done. We can move forward, making the most of today and anticipating a future with Him. In Christ, we’re free! *--Copied*

Strength For The Weary

On a beautiful sunny day, I was walking in a park and feeling very weary in spirit. It wasn’t just one thing weighing me down—it seemed to be everything. When I stopped to sit on a bench, I noticed a small plaque placed there in loving memory of a “devoted husband, father, brother, and friend.” Also on that plaque were these words, “But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.” Isa. 40:31

Those familiar words came to me as a personal touch from the Lord. Weariness—whether physical, emotional, or spiritual—comes to us all. Isaiah reminds us that although we become tired, the Lord, the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth “will not grow tired or weary.” How easily I had forgotten that in every situation “the Lord gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.”

What’s it like on your journey today? If fatigue has caused you to forget God’s presence and power, why not pause and recall His promise. “Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.” Here. Now. Right where we are. *--Copied*

You Need to Know

Birthdays this week:

Tuesday, June 8 – Mandy Kennedy, Michelle Brantley & Trent Futch

Thursday, June 10 – Bonnie Miller & Charlie Reeves

Bible Class Teachers Needed!

If anyone is willing to teach a Bible class, please see Brian Braxton for more details. We are in need of teachers.

Please continue to pray for those who are struggling with health problems, and those who have lost loved ones.

Congratulations to Ally Anderson! She graduated from Guyer High School in Dallas with honors on May 28th! She is the daughter of Steven and Sheryl Anderson and granddaughter of Billy and Sharon.

And She Did It With Grace!

Saying grace at mealtime was a tradition at Grandma’s house. At breakfast, lunch and supper, all who gathered around the table would bow their heads to give blessing for the food they were about to eat.

Much to Grandma’s sadness, this tradition was not brought to our home by my mother, so as a three-year-old, the practice of saying grace was very confusing to me.

Mother embarrassingly recalls that once, while Grandma rambled through one of her lengthy meal-time thanks to God, I asked in a rather loud voice, “Why is Grandma talking to her plate?” *--Copied*

Those in Need of Special Prayer

**Yyvern Taylor
Mattie Gray Bird
“Bee” Stewart
Letsy Everett
Steve Brantley
Morgan Preaus
Bobby Fletcher
Caden Wilson
Krew Martino
Betty Perot
Cathy Nall
Misti Walker
Fred Futch
William Wilson
Francis Jane Preaus
Ron Hudoba**

**Doris Roller
Joe Albritton
“Hoss” Brantley
Pam Denton
Sherry Taylor
Cooter Anderson
Elaine Brantley
Ben Nivens
Roxanna Gill
Asa Duty
Lorraine McDaniel
Tracey Brantley
Meade Phelps
Randy Stinson
Tori Boyette
Rita Huffstutter**

Something To Look Forward To

A while ago, I was treated to a couple of pampering weeks in the beautiful mountains of Santa Barbara, California. I had asked my friends if I could stay in their guest house for the time I was finishing a book I was working on.

My first three days were incredible and I was treated to two very special things on each of those days. First, the heavens opened up and we were deluged with three days of uninterrupted rain. It was really cozy, but after a while, I had thoughts of building an ark.

My second treat came in the form of an assistant. Every day at noon, my friends’ son, Christopher, would come home from his kindergarten class and offer to “help” me. On the last day of the downpour he asked me why it was raining so much. Just to make conversation I said, “Sometimes when it rains, it means that God is sad and He is crying.”

“He’s probably crying because Valentine’s Day is over,” explained my five-year-old prophet. In his very self-assured way he went out into the rain, looked up and said, “Don’t worry, God. Valentine’s may be over but Easter is coming soon. It wasn’t long after that the rain stopped!

--Copied